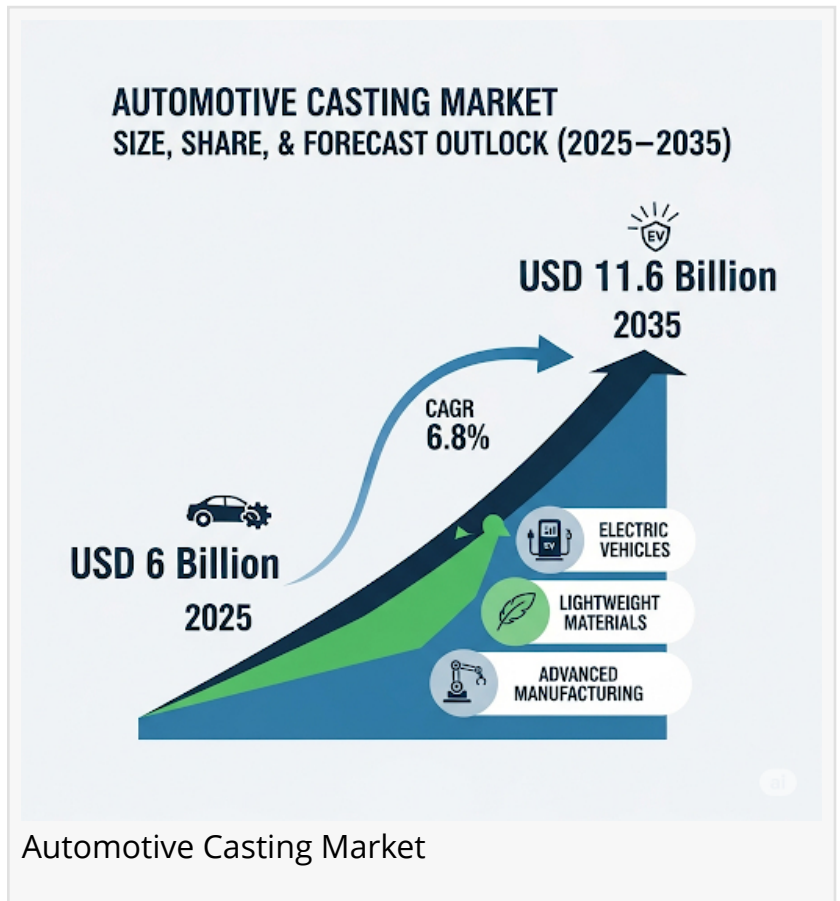


Automotive Casting Market Set to Nearly Double by 2035, Offering Growth Opportunities for Manufacturers Worldwide

Lightweight materials, advanced die casting, and EV expansion drive strong demand in global automotive casting industry

NEWARK, DE, UNITED STATES, August 22, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The global [automotive casting market](#), valued at USD 6 billion in 2025, is forecasted to climb to USD 11.6 billion by 2035, expanding at a 6.8% compound annual growth rate (CAGR). This near doubling, with a multiplying factor of 1.93x, reflects the transformative decade ahead as manufacturers navigate stricter efficiency targets, vehicle electrification, and advanced production technologies.



Casting suppliers and automotive OEMs are positioned at the center of this growth story. By focusing on lightweight alloys, digital foundry solutions, and automation, manufacturers can capture new revenue streams while solving pressing challenges around cost, compliance, and performance.

Market Forces Shaping the Industry

The automotive casting sector draws resilience from five major parent markets:

- Automotive components (40% contribution) where castings are critical in powertrain and chassis parts.
- Global automotive production (25%) directly influencing casting demand.

- Metals and foundry industries (20%), providing aluminum, iron, and steel inputs.
- Industrial manufacturing (10%) advancing casting machinery and processes.

Technology and EVs Create New Avenues for Growth

Manufacturers are capitalizing on technological progress and EV applications to overcome production challenges. High-pressure die casting, vacuum casting, and robotics are improving precision while lowering defect rates to below 2%. Additive manufacturing in mold design is enabling customized parts with faster time to market.

For EVs, cast battery housings alone are projected to account for 12–14% of total aluminum casting output. Lightweight housings and motor components improve thermal management and reduce overall vehicle mass. Robotics integration also supports large-scale production with consistent quality, positioning foundries for scalable, profitable operations.

Aluminum Dominance and Digital Transformation

Aluminum holds a 50% market share across automotive casting, thanks to its corrosion resistance, recyclability, and weight reduction of up to 40% compared with iron. Recycling initiatives—where secondary aluminum already supplies 45% of industry needs—cut costs by as much as 20% while meeting sustainability targets.

Digital transformation is also reshaping operations. AI-powered monitoring shortens defect detection by 30–35%, while digital simulation tools optimize cooling cycles and material flow. These innovations help manufacturers strike the right balance between cost efficiency and uncompromised quality.

Key Challenges for Manufacturers

Despite promising growth, manufacturers face hurdles around cost pressure, raw material volatility, and quality assurance. Fluctuations in aluminum and magnesium prices have increased casting costs by up to 15% in recent years. Rejection rates in large-scale production can reach 5–6%, and skilled workforce shortages raise expenses by as much as 10%.

Automation and digital inspection technologies are critical solutions. While smaller foundries may struggle with upfront costs, early adopters are already seeing gains in dimensional accuracy, defect reduction, and cost competitiveness.

Investment Hotspots Across Segments

The automotive casting market is driven by four critical dimensions:

- Process – Die casting leads with 45% share, delivering high precision, thin-walled designs, and

high-volume output. Automated die-casting machinery keeps cycle times as short as 30–60 seconds with rejection rates below 5%.

- Application – Engines dominate with 40% share, as cast cylinder blocks, heads, and manifolds remain essential for reliability and efficiency. Continuous replacement cycles ensure consistent demand.
 - Material – Aluminum leads with 50% share, followed by iron and steel. Demand is particularly strong in EV housings and lightweight drivetrains.
 - Vehicle type – Passenger vehicles represent 65% of demand, fueled by global car ownership growth and aftermarket replacement cycles.
- These segments demonstrate how suppliers can strategically align investments with long-term demand patterns.

Regional Outlook

The global CAGR of 6.8% masks varied regional trends:

- China (6.6%) – Strong EV adoption, modernized foundries, and automated production lines boosting efficiency by 15%.
- India (5.8%) – Rising vehicle output, export expansion, and semi-automated processes cutting defect ratios by 12%.
- United States (5.4%) – Adoption of vacuum casting and simulation tools alongside steady aftermarket demand.
- Germany (5.2%) – Precision aluminum and high-pressure die casting systems gaining traction, with R&D strengthening alloys.
- United Kingdom (5%) – Modernization and export-focused strategies supported by digital inspection and automation.

Asia Pacific remains the largest hub thanks to low-cost manufacturing, strong domestic demand, and leadership in lightweight alloys.

Competitive Landscape

The market is home to established players and agile entrants:

- Gibbs Die Casting – Expanding lightweight aluminum components for engines and transmissions.
- Regensburger Druckgusswerk Wolf GmbH – Precision-focused supplier for European brands.

- CFS Foundry – Investing in advanced processes and high-performance alloys.
- Endurance Technologies – Expanding across Asia with new facilities serving OEMs globally.
- Zetwerk – Providing supply chain integration and contract manufacturing for customized castings.

Recent industry moves, such as Dongfeng's Integrated Die-Casting Industrialization Project in Wuhan, show how automakers and suppliers are collaborating to cut vehicle weight, extend lifespan, and improve safety.

Outlook for Manufacturers

The decade ahead presents manufacturers with both opportunities and challenges. Demand for lightweight, cost-effective castings will nearly double by 2035, supported by EV adoption, precision processes, and digital technologies. Yet, the need to manage costs, raw material fluctuations, and quality complexities remains pressing.

Suppliers who invest in automation, recyclable alloys, and digital foundry solutions will be best positioned to meet automaker expectations while driving profitable growth. By aligning with these market dynamics, manufacturers can secure their role in the future of mobility—where every cast component plays a critical part in efficiency, safety, and sustainability.

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This press release is based exclusively on verified market insights and forecast data for the global automotive casting industry. It is intended to provide manufacturers, suppliers, and industry stakeholders with a forward-looking perspective on opportunities and challenges between 2025 and 2035.

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